## **South Carolina Board of Economic Advisors Statement of Estimated State Revenue Impact**

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Committee Requesting Impact: House Ways & Means Committee

## **Bill Summary**

A bill to amend Title 1, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the administration of government, by adding Chapter 24 so as to establish the South Carolina Sunset Commission and a Sunset Review Division of the Legislative Audit Council, to establish procedures providing for the manner in which the programs of certain agencies and departments of state government must be evaluated to determine if they should be continued in existence, modified, or terminated, and to establish the procedures by which these programs must be continued, modified, or terminated.

## **REVENUE IMPACT** 1/

This bill has no impact on state or local General Fund revenue in FY2007-08.

## **Explanation**

This bill would add Chapter 24 to Title 1 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina to establish the South Carolina Sunset Commission composed of twelve members representing the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Office of the Governor. There is also created a separate Sunset Review Division of the Legislative Audit Council responsible for conducting sunset reviews of the programs of state agencies and departments to determine whether these programs have outlived their usefulness or must be changed. The Sunset Review Division shall receive funding as required through the annual general appropriations act. The programs and functions of state agencies would be terminated according to a twelve-year, cyclical schedule. Upon the issuance of the Division's report, the Sunset Commission shall conduct a public hearing on the agency and its programs. Any reauthorization of an agency or program must be placed in a special permanent law provision designated Part IC in the annual appropriations act. The termination of any state agency or program shall remain in existence for one year after being terminated to finalize all affairs. Any funds remaining with the state agency after the finalization period revert to the general fund. This bill has no impact on state or local General Fund revenue in FY2007-08.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/</sup> This statement meets the requirement of Section 2-7-71 for a state revenue impact by the BEA, or Section 2-7-76 for a local revenue impact or Section 6-1-85(B) for an estimate of the shift in local property tax incidence by the Office of Economic Research.